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**MASSACHUSETTS.****Domestic Animals—Communicable Diseases—Laboratory Services by State Department of Health for Department of Animal Industry. (Ch. 155, Act Apr. 26, 1916.)**

SECTION 1. The State department of health is hereby authorized to perform for the department of animal industry upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon, such services in its laboratory as may be necessary in the examination of materials from animals suspected of being infected with glanders, tuberculosis, rabies, or other diseases of domestic animals.

**NEW JERSEY.****Births, Deaths, and Marriages—Reporting of—Enforcement of Laws Relating Thereto. (Res. Dept. of H., Mar. 7, 1916.)**

*Resolved*, That the director of the State department of health with the aid of the chief of the bureau of vital statistics shall take prompt and vigorous measures to enforce the laws of the State relating to the reporting of births, marriages, and deaths, and that in any and every case of failure of the responsible party to properly report a birth or marriage within five days and to exchange a certificate of death for a burial permit before burial, the said director and bureau chief shall, as soon as that failure becomes known to them, mail a notice of such failure to the local board of health and to each member thereof in whose jurisdiction the violation occurs, accompanied by a warning that if said board does not order prosecution and submit to the State department of health proof of such prosecution of said delinquent person or an excuse for the delinquency acceptable to the director of the State department of health, then the said State department of health will sue, in cases of failure to report births, under chapter 389, of the laws of 1915, to recover penalty from each member of the local board except any member who may have voted to prosecute the violator of the law; for failure to report marriages prosecutions will be ordered under chapter 199, laws of 1912; and for failure to exchange a certificate of death for a burial or transit permit before burial takes place prosecution will be ordered under chapter 109, laws of 1909.

**NEW YORK.****Tuberculosis—Notification of Cases. (Ch. 370, Act May 1, 1916.)**

SECTION. 1. Section 320 of chapter 49 of the laws of 1909 entitled "An act in relation to the public health, constituting chapter 45 of the consolidated laws," as amended by chapter 559 <sup>1</sup> of the laws of 1913, and chapter 318 <sup>2</sup> of the laws of 1914, is hereby amended to read as follows:

SEC. 320. *Reports of tuberculosis by physicians and others.*—Tuberculosis is hereby declared to be an infectious and communicable disease, dangerous to the public health. It shall be the duty of every physician in the State of New York to report by telephone or in person or in writing, on a form to be furnished as hereinafter provided, the name and address of every person known by said physician to have tuberculosis, to the health officer of the city, town, or village in which said person resides or may be, within 24 hours after such fact comes to the knowledge of said physician. It shall also be the duty of the chief officer having charge for the time being of any hospital, dispensary, asylum, or other similar private or public institution to report the name, age, sex, color, occupation, place where last employed, if known, and the previous address of every patient having tuberculosis who comes into his care

<sup>1</sup> Reprint No. 264 from the Public Health Reports, p. 305.

<sup>2</sup> Reprint No. 279 from the Public Health Reports, p. 109.